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LISTING OF CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 21, 29, 67, 74, 76, 84-87, 92, 98 and 102 as follows.

1 1-20 (Cancelled).

2 21. (Currently Amended) In a batting of a type having opposing faces
3 and a softness and a flexibility and configured for use in the formation of a quilt,
4 the quilt having at least one cover to be securably attached to the batting by
5 spaced apart connectors, the improvement comprising:
6 a composite member formed of the batting and an adhesive material
7 applied to the batting;
8 wherein the batting ~~consisting~~ consists of cotton or polyester or
9 cotton-polyester; and
10 an adhesive provided with the batting
11 wherein the adhesive material comprises an activatable adhesive
12 configured to at least temporarily secure the cover to the batting;
13 so that the at least one cover can be attached to the batting by an
14 adhesive connection at the opposing faces of the batting during formation of the
15 quilt.

1 22. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive
2 is an activatable adhesive for attachment of the cover to the batting material
3 comprises a non-woven material.

1 23. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive
2 is applied to the batting to at least temporarily secure the cover to the batting
3 material will remain in the quilt after the cover is attached to the batting by spaced
4 apart connectors.

24. (Canceled).

25. (Canceled).

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1 26. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive
2 material is activated by heat when applying the cover for attachment to the
3 batting.

27. (Canceled).

1 28. (Previously Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive
2 connection is formed by application of pressure.

1 29. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim ~~28~~ 26 wherein the
2 ~~application of~~ heat is provided by an Iron.

30. (Canceled).

1 31. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive
2 material comprises a water-soluble material.

1 32. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive
2 material is applied to substantially all of an interface for attachment of the cover.

33. (Canceled).

1 34. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 22 wherein the adhesive
2 material is applied to a portion of the batting.

1 35. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive
2 material is applied to at least one of the opposing faces of the batting as a pattern.

1 36. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive
2 material is applied by spraying to at least one of the opposing faces of the batting
3 as a pattern.

1 37. (Previously Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive
2 is removable.

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38. (Canceled).

1 39. (Previously Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the batting is
2 a thick material relative to a fabric cover of the quilt.

40 (Canceled).

41-66 (Withdrawn).

1 67. (Currently Amended) In a batting of a type having opposing faces
2 and a softness and a flexibility and configured for use in the formation of a quilt,
3 the quilt having at least one cover to be securably attached to the batting by
4 spaced apart connectors, the improvement comprising:
5 a composite member formed of the batting and an adhesive material
6 for bonding fabrics applied thereto;
7 wherein the batting consists of cotton or polyester or cotton-
8 polyester; and
9 wherein the adhesive material facilitates a bond at the opposing faces
10 of the batting by application of heat;
11 ~~A batting of a type having a pair of opposing faces and configured to~~
12 ~~form a soft and flexible quilt by attachment of a cover by spaced apart connectors,~~
13 ~~the batting consisting of cotton or polyester or cotton-polyester blend; and an~~
14 ~~adhesive provided with the batting so that a cover can be at least temporarily~~
15 ~~secured to the batting with the adhesive material by application of heat before the~~
16 ~~cover is attached to the batting with connectors to form a soft and flexible quilt.~~

1 68. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein application of
2 heat is provided by an ironing unit.

1 69. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the application
2 of heat is by pressing.

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1 70. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 material is comprises an activatable adhesive.

1 71. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 material temporarily attaches the cover to the batting.

1 72. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 material is provided in a thin coating to maintain the complete flexibility and
3 softness of the quilt formed by attachment of a cover to each of the opposing
4 faces of the batting.

1 73. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 material comprises a nonwoven material.

1 74. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 material is applied to the opposing faces of the batting.

1 75. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 material is applied to at least a portion of the opposing faces of the batting in a
3 pattern.

1 76. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 composite member provides an interface for attachment of the cover to the batting
3 and the adhesive material is provided throughout the interface.

1 77. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 material is applied to a portion of the batting.

1 78. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 material is applied to the batting by spraying at least one of the opposing faces.

1 79. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 material comprises a water-soluble material.

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1 80. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesiv
2 material is inactive until activated by application of heat and pressure.

1 81. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 material is applied to at least one of the opposing faces of the batting as a thin
3 layer.

1 82. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 material is removable by washing.

1 83. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 material applied to the batting is interlaced ~~comprising a loft that is thick relative to~~
3 ~~a fabric cover of the quilt.~~

1 84. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive
2 material will remain in the quilt formed after attachment of covers to each of the
3 opposing faces of the batting by spaced-apart connectors ~~such as yarn or thread.~~

1 85. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the ~~batting~~
2 composite member consists ~~essentially~~ of cotton and polyester with the adhesive.

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1 86. (Currently Amended) In a batting of a type having opposing faces
2 and a softness and a flexibility and configured for use in the format n f a quilt,
3 the quilt having at least one cover to be securably attached to the batting by
4 spaced apart connectors, the improvement comprising:
5 a composite member formed of the batting and an adhesive material
6 applied to the batting;
7 wherein the batting consists of cotton or polyester or cotton-
8 polyester; and
9 wherein the adhesive material comprises a soluble adhesive effective
10 to at least temporarily secure the cover to the batting;
11 so that the at least one cover can be attached to the batting by an
12 adhesive connection at the opposing faces of the batting during formation of the
13 quilt. A batting of a type having a pair of opposing faces and configured to form a
14 soft and flexible quilt by attachment of a cover to each of the opposing faces by
15 spaced apart connectors, the batting comprising: a loft consisting of cotton or
16 polyester or cotton-polyester blend; and an adhesive provided with the batting; so
17 that a cover can be at least temporarily secured to each of the opposing faces of
18 the batting with the adhesive before the cover is attached to the batting with
19 connectors to form a quilt.

1 87. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 ~~wherein the adhesive~~
2 ~~is provided on each of the opposing faces~~ consisting of cotton or polyester or
3 cotton-polyester that is needle punched.

1 88. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive
2 material will remain in the quilt after the cover is attached to the batting by spaced
3 apart connectors.

1 89. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is
2 activatable.

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1 90. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 where in the cover is at
2 least temporarily secured to the batting with the adhesive material by pressing the
3 cover to the batting.

1 91. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the cover is at
2 least temporarily secured to the batting with the adhesive material by application of
3 heat.

1 92. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive
2 material is applied as a coating to the batting left.

1 93. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the application
2 of heat by an iron secures the cover to the batting.

1 94. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive
2 material comprises a water-soluble adhesive.

1 95. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive
2 material provides an interface between the cover and the batting.

1 96. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive
2 material is provided to a portion of the batting.

1 97. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive
2 material is applied by spraying to at least one of the opposing faces of the batting.

1 98. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the left
2 batting is thick relative to a fabric cover for the quilt.

1 99. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive
2 material comprises a non-woven material.

1 100. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive
2 material is applied to the batting in a pattern.

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1 101. (Previously Added) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is
2 removable by washing.

1 102. (Currently Amended) The batting of Claim ~~86~~ 21 consisting of
2 cotton or polyester or cotton-polyester that is needle punched wherein the ~~left~~
3 ~~comprises a low loft material that comprises 80 percent cotton and 20 percent~~
4 ~~polyester.~~